



Measure L Advisory Committee
1st Floor City Council Conference Room Area 'B'
Monday, November 5, 2012

MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

George 'Andy' Anderson, Lance 'Scott' Garver,
Michael Petersen, Phil Salvatore, Eddie Thomas

Regular Meeting – 5:30 p.m.

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CALL TO ORDER

5:34 PM

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Eddie Thomas; Michael Petersen; George 'Andy' Anderson; Phil Salvatore

Members Absent: Lance 'Scott' Garver

Staff Present: Chief of Police R. Strand, Mr. Speer (Acting City Manager), Mr. Culp (City Engineer)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda Approved: 4 Ayes; 0 No; 0 Abstain; 1 Absent

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for Measure L Meeting on October 22, 2012

Minutes for October 22 were read by Mr. Petersen.

Minutes for October 22 were approved: 4 Ayes; 0 No; 0 Abstain, And 1 Absent

PUBLIC COMMENT OF ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA (5 min each, 30 min total)

M. Neil

- Believe past Council statements have been in error regarding relationship between Measure L committee and Council
- Measure L was voted in by the people and have the full power of the people behind
- Applauded Mr. Salvatore's effort to dig through the budget

- Committee is a miniature grand jury, anyone in the city will
- Council has no right to direct Measure L committee actions
- Asked for rapid posting of the meeting minutes

DISCUSSION AND OTHER ACTION ITEMS

No regular action items.

1. Response to Public Comment

Mr. Thomas

- Mr. Garver and Mr. Anderson have been tasked

Mr. Anderson

- Researched public concerns via Mr. Neil
- Independent report via press on a quarterly basis
- Limited to Measure L

Mr. Salvatore

- Several funds were intended for street repair/maintenance, attempting to track the funds to help guide analysis of Measure L expenditures
- Trying to illuminate how the funding was spent

Mr. Anderson

- Replaced general funds with special interest funding
- Used lottery funds for education, but made it into a consistent drain on the general funding

Mr. Neil

- Was there a historical justification to reduce/change salary of Parks and Recreation director so soon after approval?

Mr. Thomas

- Give us more time

Mr. Salvatore & Mr. Anderson

- Funds were rescinded from Measure L and taken from somewhere else in the budget

Mr. Thomas

- We on the committee take our position seriously

2. Additional information from Acting City Manager regarding Measure L and streets

Mr. Speer

- Passed out cover sheets for Caltrans program information (outline, acronyms)
- New legislation: Under MAP-21 (Moving Ahead P-something)
- Missing Acronym: FTIP – Federal Transportation Improvement Program

Mr. Salvatore

- What is traffic congestion relief fund? \$35k from 2011, most recent

Mr. Speer

- Collected internally, somehow

Mr. Salvatore

- Trying to find street maintenance/construction in the budget actual from 2011
- Can find the other items
- Overhead?

Mr. Speer

- Want to change how the budget is tracked and organized based on 25 years of experience

Mr. Salvatore

- Year-end does not match the audit performed, usually a few years later

Mr. Speer

- Spent 20 years with county, city budget baseline adjustment is strange

Mr. Neil

- Where are TDA funds?

Mr. Speer

- These are only program projects
- TDA is allocated by population, with specific instructions
- All COGs receive TDA funding, then distribute to cities after spending some on pedestrian projects, similar to Bowman bike route. Required approval for eligibility and then for ranking
- Unmet needs hearing for transit around March of each year to allow public comment to influence balance between roads and transit
- To influence allocation, most cities make 2 claims each year
- Claim must be met with a clean bill of health
- Transit is higher priority than roads

Mr. Salvatore

- Need help reading the Public Works report regarding Gas Tax – Streets
- Tess has been very busy

Mr. Speer

- She's been preparing for her presentation at the council meeting this week

Mr. Petersen

- Willing to be another set of eyes researching the budget

Mr. Speer

- Will contact Tess to see if she has time to help

Mr. Salvatore

- Could use some help looking at the comprehensive budget
- Passed out information

Mr. Petersen

- Want to match one budget

ADVISORY MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Anderson

- Need to understand the budget first

Mr. Petersen

- Future action items:
 1. Review Comprehensive Report

2. Trends between fiscal years

3. Meeting Frequency

Mr. Thomas

- Agree with discussing meeting frequency
 - o New council
 - o Need more understanding

SUPPORT STAFF COMMENTS

Chief

- In my understanding, very little in general funds have been spent on roads

Mr. Salvatore

- Only the past 2 years have been zero, ranged up to \$800k in general funds spent on roads
- General fund to Gas Tax fund to overhead and other places

Mr. Neil

- May want to monitor Wastewater fund management 2006 to 2011

Mr. Salvatore

- It's nice to know where the money came from, but I'm trying to determine where the money is going

Mr. Rittora

- The numbers have identifiers and should allow correlation

Date of next meeting

Dec 3, 2012 – Committee consensus

Action Items

1. Presentation of budget research by Mr. Salvatore
2. Presentation by Mr. Speer regarding TDA & Gas Tax Primer
3. Information from Chief Strand
4. Quarterly Report discussion

ADJOURNMENT

18:27 PM